

From Nicaragua. | The American Difficulty.

LATER—he corresponded *The Morning Post*, at Paris writes:

"I believe I am correct in stating that the French Government has every effort to remove those unhappy complications which here led to the suspension of diplomatic relations between England and America. The Government of the Emperor will, I understand, continue to exercise its good offices in the same spirit of reconciliation, and should the two nations be found unable to settle in actual war, no doubt England may reckon on the active alliance of France."

The arrival of the Atlantic was anxiously awaited, as Mr. Crampton was expected to be on board, and when it was ascertained that he was not, considerable relief was manifest.

The *London Morning Post*, which has published several reports recently, respecting American affairs, caused a great deal of interest.

The following editorial announcement:

"The government of the United States has intimated to Mr. Crampton its desire that he will forthwith quit the American Territory, and his Excellency, in consequence, has retired from his post and arrived at Toronto Canada."

The Globe, and other journals, immediately considered the statement, and said it was merely a random statement by passengers per Atlantic.

On the succeeding evening Mr. D'Almeida put the question direct to Lord Palmerston, who made a shuffling reply, to the effect that he had understood no from an indirect source, but Mr. Crampton not having himself said so, he (Palmerston) had no statement to make.

In the House of Lords, the Earl of Hardwicke put a similar question, to which the Earl of Granville

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Mr. Bismarck declined his statement, namely, that he was not prepared to give any definite answer to the American demand for the subject of arbitration on the Central American question. He only says, that the American Government have made no demand on that point, and he declines to make on the part of Her Majesty's Government any such statement. He says, that he is not prepared to make any such statement, and we have not thought it necessary as yet to do so, but he says, that he is not prepared to make any such statement, and we have not thought it necessary as yet to do so, but he says, that he is not prepared to make any such statement, and we have not thought it necessary as yet to do so.

ter, and I hope, I sincerely hope, and not without good reason, that the discussions may terminate in a settlement of the differences between the two countries. [I fear, hear.] Whatever may be the result, I sincerely hope that the good sense of both sides of the water may prevent any unnecessary collision; but certainly it is not to be expected that the mere avoidance of a conflict of opinion—some too much inclined to the one side, and some too much to the other—will prevent the possibility of what could not fail to be attended with injurious results. Now I may be permitted, when upon my legs, to say that I have been very much gratified to see Baronet alluded to, to a question just yesterday, in the House of Commons, at Washington. I stated that we had indirectly received information that such was the case. I learn that the Baronet is now in the War Department, that the information came by the route of the British Legation in Washington, May. Yesterday evening there was another packet from New York, which left there on the 26th. I have no doubt that the Baronet is now in possession of the official information on the subject. [I fear, hear.]

Wife Murdered—Sarah D. Higgins, a handsome young English woman of about twenty-nine years of age, was shot by her husband, William Higgins, at his home in the District, on Saturday night last, at about 11 o'clock, by her husband, Michael Higgins, an Irishman, to whom she had been married for five or six years. Higgins is a clerk in one of our large cotton concerns, and has a salary of \$100 per month, and it is said to be remarkably vicious when drunk.

Upon the examination made before the Coroner's jury, it was ascertained that he had been drinking wine in question very drunk; that he called his wife "my little bird," and told her to get him a pitcher on the table; that he told her to get it for him immediately or he would shoot her; that she went to the kitchen and asked that she run out upon the gallery of the house, opened the door to after her, and stood against it in such a position that he could see her; that he then fired at her, and thereupon he placed the muzzle of a double-barreled shotgun in the doorway, and fired again, passing through the door, lodging one of the charges in her abdomen, and causing a wound of which she died.

It further appeared, upon the Coroner's examination, that the deceased was a native of England, and that she was a Roman Catholic.

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POPULATION AND BISLES.—The population of the United States is now over 33,000,000, making 9,000,000 families; of these, it is believed more than 1,000,000 are without the Bible.

